

Administration of Joseph R. Biden, Jr., 2023

Remarks in an Exchange With Reporters Prior to Departure for Wilmington, Delaware

March 17, 2023

International Criminal Court/President Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin of Russia

Q. Could you give us your reaction to the International Criminal Court issuing an arrest warrant for Vladimir Putin?

The President. Well, I think it's justified. It's—but the question is, it's not recognized internationally by us either. But I think it makes the very strong point.

U.S. Banking System

Q. Are you confident the bank, sir—are you confident the bank crisis has calmed down?

The President. Yes.

Russia-China Relations

Q. Will you give us a sense of your reaction to President Putin meeting with President Xi next week?

The President. Well, we'll see when that meeting takes place. That's—[inaudible].

Congressional Investigation of Members of the President's Family

Q. Any reaction to the House GOP memo about your family dealings, sir?

The President. My family dealings?

Q. Yes, your—[inaudible]—that Hunter Biden's business associate sent over a million dollars to three of your family members. Any reaction to that?

The President. That's not true.

President Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin of Russia

Q. Should Putin be tried for war crimes? [Inaudible]

Q. [Inaudible]—information for the ICC?

Q. [Inaudible]—war crimes Ukraine?

The President. He's clearly committed war crimes. Thank you.

NOTE: The President spoke at 7:15 p.m. on the South Lawn at the White House prior to boarding Marine One. Reporters referred to President Xi Jinping of China; and President Biden's son R. Hunter Biden. A portion of these remarks could not be verified because the audio was incomplete.

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